Village of Glenbeulah September 9, 2020 Minutes

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Present: Daun, Starnitcky, Feldmann, Grunewald, Olm, and Bertram

Absent:

Guests: Janet Biskobing , Colton from the Plymouth Review, Ryan Feldmann, Adam Konz, AJ Schillingowski, Eileen

Starnitcky, Attorney Bauer, Korin Rosenthal, Edward Gahagan and Deputy Osienczanek

Daun opened the Village Board meeting at 7:05PM

Approval of Minutes

Daun asked the Board if there were questions or changes to the August 11, 2020 Village Board Meeting minutes or a motion to accept the minutes as distributed to Board members before- hand, posted, and placed on the website. In a motion by Feldmann, and seconded by Olm, the minutes were approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

In a motion by Olm and seconded by Starnitcky, the treasurers report was approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Comment

None

Agenda was changed to accommodate the audience

Old Business:

Brush piles/weeds

Nothing to report.

Cemetery

Nothing to report.

Mill Pond Gate

The new gate is up. The old posts still need to be removed and the gate needs to be painted

USDA Grants

Bertram and Daun have been working with Wally and Abbey from Matenson & Eisele to gather any data they are requesting to move along the grant progress

Swift Street and Barrett Street Projects

The project is still on schedule for spring 2021.

Joy Grunewald – storage lot

Attorney Bauer stated he had not yet drafted the letter.

LRIP

Nothing to report.

Ordinance – parking

Nothing to report

Tanya Massey – pollination field

Daun reported she is no longer interested in pursuing this. It will be removed from further agenda.

Curb by bank

Daun is seeking cost to have the area in question mud jacked.

New Business

Korin Rosenthal – golf carts/slow moving vehicles/lawn mowers

Ms. Rosenthal stated they have been using a golf cart in the village for years and was now told it was illegal to use on village streets. Attorney Bauer stated that is illegal on village streets unless the village enacts an ordinance pertaining to state statues 349.18. Daun passed out copies of ordinances from Brillion and St Cloud that does allow golf carts to operate on streets. Discussion was held about lawn mowers being legal or illegal to drive. Attorney Bauer stated that lawn mowers fall under a different statute and if they have a slow-moving vehicle sign on it, they are permitted. The board will work with our attorney to get an ordinance drafted.

Law enforcement

Deputy Osieczanek introduced himself to the board and audience. Discussion was held on what the village would like to see from the contract hours we have with the County Sheriff's Department. Daun proposed that nonemergency matters be first checked into by the president or another board member. Have a discussion with the resident and if it can not be resolved then contact the Sheriff's Department. Office Osieczanek stated he would prefer to educate first and if no solution, then issue a warning or ticket. Starnitcky stated that if a dispute is a law enforcement issue, then the law enforcement should be handling the issue. In a motion by Feldmann and Seconded by Grunewald, no emergency contacts can be made to President Daun and Trustee Olm. Motion carried. Starnitcky also ran a timeline of a complaint to the Department about enforcing speeding along Swift Street. He said it took 89 days to see a radar on Swift street. The office stated they did have patrol requests on there logs for Swift street and the officers did narrative logs within the hours. He said that should have been in our monthly logs. It was also at that time; the village realized the logs were probably being sent to an email that is no longer in service. That will be updated for the October log. Other members of the board commented that they like to see a continued police presence and to use the officer's judgement to issue warnings and or citations. The department is contracted for 17 hours monthly and if a citation is to be given during that contracted time it would be a village citation and not a county citation. Daun asked if an officer could attend the monthly meetings and the officer will put that request in to his department. The board thanked the officers of the county and all officers for their duty and dedication.

Fire Dept/First Responders general business

Last month the fire department had voted in a new chief, Adam Konz along with AJ Schillingkowski -1st assistant and Ryan Feldmann -2nd assistant chief. Daun read a letter from former Chief Mooney stating his retirement of chief but would like to stay a member of the First Responder. Along with the letter was his keys and credit card. Daun and the board would like to thank Chief Mooney for 16 years of excellent service he provided the Village. Starnitcky wanted to clarify if the retirement letter was to be considered his resignation. The board determined it was implied because of turning in the keys and credit card. In a motion by Olm and seconded by Starnitcky, Adam Konz was approved as the new chief. Motion carried. The ordinance will be revised to coincide with the Fire Department by-laws as to how the department election process is handled. Olm asked if the Chief Konz would improve communications with the board. He stated it is his plan to do so. Mrs. Grunewald also stated that the public and the board are always welcome to attend all Fire Dept/First Responder meetings and drills. The log was reviewed. There were 7 calls for the month of July. August training was hydrant hook ups and review.

Set up a new account with Lincoln Contractors to get better tool rates. Pump testing was completed, and everything passed. Six-month maintenance inspections were also completed. EMS responded to 3 calls: 2 in the Town of Greenbush and one in the Village.

Abandonment of allies

Grunewald stated that the village has many allies that are grass and should be abandoned. He will spear head the list of them and have them for the next meeting for review.

Plan Commission

Olm stated there will be no September meeting as of now, unless something comes up between tonight and Saturday at noon.

Building Permits

Permits were passed around and in a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky, the permits were approved. Motion carried.

TIF District

Nothing to report.

COVID Grant

The fire department and the election grant money has been received and paperwork has been submitted. The CARES Routes to recovery grant is still open. In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann, seven iPad will be purchased to facilitate telework for members – IE meetings.

2021 Budge Prep

A committee meeting for the budget committee is set for 10/7 at 6:30 to start the budget process

Hall rental -bounce house

The hall will be rented on Sept 26 and the renter asked if they could have a bounce house. Our insurance company was contacted about liability. It would fall onto the renter's insurance. Discussion was held and a bounce house was not in favor if it was an indoor one. If outdoor, they could have it if it was not secured into the blacktop.

Committee Report

The board reappointed members on the Board of Appeals, Wendy Yurk, Dan Grunewald, Barb Schaefer and Michele Bertram in a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky. Motion carried. Daun checked into a lift from Quasius to rent for \$215.00 for 4 hours or all day for \$360.00 to install the new banners. Discussion was also held about returning the trailer from Emmerich and getting a smaller one, one that could be stored inside the hall garage. Grunewald was approached by someone to have the Village sign that is in the back-parking area. All members agreed to allow the resident to have it, Feldmann abstained from comment. Grunewald asked if another member would like to meet about a possible new dump site. Daun volunteered. Mrs. Starnitcky thanked the board for the election wage increase.

Village Employee

In a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky, the board will convene in closed session to review an application. Feldman – aye; Grunewald – aye; Starnitcky – aye, Olm – aye, and Daun – aye. At 8:45, in a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann the board reconvened into open session. Feldman – aye; Grunewald – aye; Starnitcky – aye, Olm – aye, and Daun – aye. In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann the applicant was offered the position. Motion carried. If the applicant is still interested and accepts the position, he would start as soon as possible at the rate of \$15.50 per hour.

Correspondence of the Month

All were passed around for review.

Approval of Invoices

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann the September invoices were approved. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54PM in a motion Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Michele Bertram, Clerk/Treasurer

